CLAIMS

 A video program production system comprising a composition table providing apparatus, and a plurality of terminals communicable with the composition table providing apparatus,

wherein the composition table providing apparatus comprises: storage means for storing composition table data containing items required for a production of a video program and a variety of information described on a per item basis, and

control means for providing, for viewing, the composition table data to each of the terminals and processing information inputting from each of the terminals to the composition table data; and

wherein the terminal comprises:

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acquisition means for acquiring the composition table data by communicating with the composition table providing apparatus,

display control means for causing a display to display the composition table data acquired by the acquisition means,

input information generating means for generating information to be inputted to an item of the composition table data, and

25 input information transmitting means for transmitting

the input information to the composition table providing apparatus.

2. A composition table providing apparatus comprising: storage means for storing composition table data containing items required for a production of a video program and a variety of information described on a per item basis, and

control means for providing, for viewing, the composition table data to each of communication terminals and processing information inputting from each of the terminals to the composition table data.

- 3. The composition table providing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein, in response to inputting of particular information from one of the terminals to the composition table data, the control means performs a process of transmitting notice information to another terminal.
- 4. The composition table providing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein, in response to inputting of particular information from one of the plurality of terminals to the composition table data, the control means performs a process of transmitting notice information to another terminal.

5. A terminal comprising:

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acquisition means for acquiring composition table data by communicating with a composition table providing apparatus that provides the composition table data containing items required for a production of a video

program and a variety of information described on a per item basis,

display control means for causing a display to display the composition table data acquired by the acquisition means,

input information generating means for generating information to be inputted to an item of the composition table data, and

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table data.

input information transmitting means for transmitting the input information to the composition table providing apparatus.

- 6. The terminal according to claim 5, further comprising composition table transmitting means for generating the composition table data including the items required for the production of the video program, and transmitting the composition table data to the composition table providing apparatus.
- 7. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means generates the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering instruction and a production instruction in the composition
- 8. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means generates the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering and a production in the composition table data.

9. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means generates the input information to an item relating to one of a content of a video gathered or produced, and a content of an audio gathered or produced, in the composition table data.

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- 10. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means generates the input information to an item relating to editing of the composition table data.
- 11. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means generates the input information representing an end of the information inputting to the items required in the composition table data.
 - 12. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means automatically generates the input information to the composition table data.
 - 13. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the input information generating means generates the input information to the composition table data in response to an input operation.
- 20 14. The terminal according to claim 5, wherein the acquisition means acquires only information relating to a part of the items of the composition table data.
 - 15. The terminal according to claim 5, further comprising recording means for recording the composition table data, acquired by the acquisition means, onto a recording medium.

- 16. The terminal according to claim 5, further comprising recording means for recording, together with video data and audio data, the composition table data, acquired by the acquisition means, onto a recording medium.
- 17. The terminal according to claim 15, wherein the input information generating means generates input information for updating the composition table data in the composition table providing apparatus in response to updating of the composition table data recorded on the recording medium.
- 10 18. A terminal processing method comprising:

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an acquisition step of acquiring, from a composition table providing apparatus, composition table data containing items required for a production of a video program and a variety of information described on a per item basis,

a display step of causing a display to display the acquired composition table data,

an input information generating step of generating information to be inputted to an item of the composition table data, and

- a transmitting step of transmitting the generated input information to the composition table providing apparatus.
- 19. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, further comprising a composition table generating step of generating the composition table data including the items required for the production of the video program, and

transmitting the composition table data to the composition table providing apparatus.

- 20. The terminal processing according to claim 18, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering instruction and a production instruction in the composition table data.
- 21. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering and a production in the composition table data.

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- 22. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a content of a video gathered or produced, and a content of an audio gathered or produced, in the composition table data.
- 23. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, 20 wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to editing of the composition table data.
 - 24. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information representing an end of the

information inputting to the items required in the composition table data.

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- 25. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating automatically the input information to the composition table data.
- 26. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to the composition table data in response to an input operation.
- 27. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, wherein the acquisition step comprises acquiring only information relating to a part of the items of the composition table data when the composition table data is acquired from the composition table providing apparatus in the acquisition step.
- 28. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, further comprising a recording step of recording the composition table data, acquired in the acquisition step, onto a recording medium.
- 29. The terminal processing method according to claim 18, further comprising a recording step of recording, together with video data and audio data, the composition table data, acquired in the acquisition step, onto a recording medium.
- 25 30. The terminal processing method according to claim 28,

wherein the input information generating step comprises generating input information for updating the composition table data in the composition table providing apparatus in response to updating of the composition table data recorded on the recording medium.

31. A program for causing an information processing apparatus to perform a terminal processing method, the terminal processing method comprising:

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an acquisition step of acquiring, from a composition table providing apparatus, composition table data containing items required for a production of a video program and a variety of information described on a per item basis,

a display step of causing a display to display the acquired composition table data,

an input information generating step of generating information to be inputted to an item of the composition table data, and

a transmitting step of transmitting the generated input information to the composition table providing apparatus.

32. The program according to claim 31, wherein the terminal processing method further comprises a composition table generating step of generating the composition table data including the items required for the production of the video program, and transmitting the composition table data to the composition table providing apparatus.

- 33. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering instruction and a production instruction in the composition table data.
- 34. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering and a production in the composition table data.
- 35. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a content of a video gathered or produced, and a content of an audio gathered or produced, in the composition table data.
- 15 36. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to editing of the composition table data.
- 37. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information representing an end of the information inputting to the items required in the composition table data.
 - 38. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating
- 25 automatically information to be inputted to the composition

table data.

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- 39. The program according to claim 31, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to the composition table data in response to an input operation.
- 40. The program according to claim 31, wherein the acquisition step comprises acquiring only information relating to a part of the items of the composition table data when the composition table data is acquired from the composition table providing apparatus in the acquisition step.
- 41. The program according to claim 31, further comprising a recording step of recording the composition table data, acquired in the acquisition step, onto a recording medium.
- 15 42. The program according to claim 31, further comprising a recording step of recording, together with video data and audio data, the composition table data, acquired in the acquisition step, onto a recording medium.
- 43. The program according to claim 41, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating input information for updating the composition table data in the composition table providing apparatus in response to updating of the composition table data recorded on the recording medium.
- 25 44. A recording medium storing a program for causing an

information processing apparatus to perform a terminal control method, the terminal control method comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring, from a composition table providing apparatus, composition table data containing items required for a production of a video program and a variety of information described on a per item basis,

a display step of causing a display to display the acquired composition table data,

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an input information generating step of generating information to be inputted to an item of the composition table data, and

a transmitting step of transmitting the generated input information to the composition table providing apparatus.

- 45. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the terminal control method further comprises a composition table generating step of generating the composition table data including the items required for the production of the video program, and transmitting the composition table data to the composition table providing apparatus.
- 46. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering instruction and a production instruction, in the composition table data.
- 25 47. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein

input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a material gathering and a production in the composition table data.

48. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to one of a content of a video gathered or produced, and a content of an audio gathered or produced, in the composition table data.

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- 49. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to an item relating to editing of the composition table data.
 - 50. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information representing an end of the information inputting to the items required in the composition table data.
 - 51. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating automatically the input information to the composition table data.
 - 52. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information to the composition table data in response to an input operation.

53. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the acquisition step comprises acquiring only information relating to a part of the items of the composition table data when the composition table data is acquired from the composition table providing apparatus in the acquisition step.

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- 54. The recording medium according to claim 44, further comprising a recording step of recording the composition table data, acquired in the acquisition step, onto a recording medium.
- 55. The recording medium according to claim 44, wherein the terminal control method further comprises a recording step of recording, together with video data and audio data, the composition table data acquired in the acquisition step, onto a recording medium.
- 56. The recording medium according to claim 54, wherein the input information generating step comprises generating the input information for updating the composition table data in the composition table providing apparatus in response to updating of the composition table data recorded on the recording medium.